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Census recruitment period extended

Opportunities still exist in some areas for Area Supervisors to work on the Census.

While over 17,000 applications have been received Australia-wide for 3,500 positions, there are still shortages in some locations.

"This has been an outstanding response by thousands of public-spirited people," the Head of Census Paul Williams said. "In terms of overall numbers it has exceeded our expectations. But there are still some areas where we still need to recruit people."

"As a result we have decided to extend the recruitment period for Area Supervisors. Applications were due to close today, but will now be extended to 17 March."

Area Supervisors are still being sought in these locations:

NSW: Sydney - Eastern and inner city suburbs, the north shore, and in the far west and north west of the state, the New England and Hunter areas.

Qld: Cape York, Mount Isa, west of Townsville, Ipswich, Toowoomba, Roma, Bowen, Emerald, Wide Bay region, Maryborough and Stradbroke Island.

WA: Perth inner city, Pilbara (Port Hedland, Karratha, Tom Price, Newman, Paraburdoo), Gascoyne (Carnarvon, Shark Bay and Exmouth), Kimberley (Broome, Derby, Kununurra and Fitzroy Crossing), Goldfields (Kalgoorlie and inland, Esperance and adjoining districts).

SA: In the inner city, inner west, outer northern suburbs of Adelaide and the Noarlunga region. Also in Port Augusta, Mid Eyre Peninsula, Mid Yorke Peninsula, the Murray Mallee and the coastal South East.

Tas: Southern Kingborough, Huon Valley, Tasman Peninsula, Southern Midlands, Central Highlands, Derwent Valley, Northern Midlands, Meander Valley, West Tamar, Glamorgan/Spring Bay, Break O'Day, King Island, West Coast.

NT: Tenant Creek, Litchfield Shire area.

Area Supervisors are responsible for the recruitment, training and management of the Census Collectors in their area. In April they will recruit about 26,000 Collectors nation-wide. The Collectors will deal directly with the public, moving from door to door and delivering and collecting

Census forms. The Census will be held on 8 August.

Area Supervisors will work from 21 April to October 6. The majority of Area Supervisors will earn a total of between \$1,900 and \$3,300, depending on how much work is involved.

Mr Williams said that in the past Area Supervisors had included retired managers, former and serving school teachers, community workers, people working part time and parents at home with children.

To apply for employment go to www.abs.gov.au/recruitment or call 1300 236 787.

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